GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:168
ANSWERED ON:09.03.2010
PROJECTS UNDER NORTH-SOUTH CORRIDOR
Munda Shri Arjun

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the targets set for completion of projects under the North- South (NS) corridor, project-wise and length-wise;

(b) the present status of such projects; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government/NHAI for expeditious completion of projects under the NS corridor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI KAMAL NATH)

(a) & (b): The Project-wise details of targets for completion of the projects under North-South Corridor are at Annex-I. Out of total length of 3698 km of North-South Corridor, 4/6 laning has been completed so far in 2491 km and 856 km are under implementation. A length of 351 km is yet to be awarded. The projects of North-South Corridor under implementation are targeted for substantial completion by December 2010. Reply to part (c) is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.168 FOR ANSWER ON 09-03-2010 ASKED BY SHRI ARJUN MUNDA REGARDING PROJECTS UNDER NORTH-SOUTH CORRIDOR

(c): In order to expedite completion of projects, close monitoring of progress of projects is being done at HQs as well as field units. Regional offices have been set up by NHAI headed by Chief General Managers for monitoring land acquisition matters as well as implementation of projects. Special Land Acquisition Units are set up to expedite land acquisition. State Governments have been requested to appoint Chief Secretaries as Nodal officers for NHDP projects. Regular meetings are being held with State Government agencies and contractors/ concessionaires to identify and initiate measures to remove obstacles in the way of timely completion of projects.